

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2918

C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 3363

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: CG PINR PDIP  
SUBJECT: BIO DATA

REF: KINSHASA 3362

1. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY BIO-DATA ON KASONGO MUTUALE (JULIEN).  
REPORTEDLY POSSIBLE CANDIDATE FOR ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE US.  
PRESENTLY HE IS SERVING AS AMBASSADOR TO TOGO.

2. BORN: OCTOBER 12, 1930 IN KISANGANI

3. EDUCATION: HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE AT BOMA  
PRIMARY EDUCATION IN KISANGANI

4. STATUS: MARRIED, NUMBER OF CHILDREN NOT KNOWN.

5. KASONGO JOINED THE COLONIAL SERVICE IN 1950 AFTER TWO YEARS  
OF MILITARY SERVICE. IN 1959 HE SERVED AS ATTACHE IN THE MINISTER  
OF THE CONGO'S OFFICE IN BRUSSELS. AFTER INDEPENDENCE, HE HELD  
A VARIETY OF POSITIONS INCLUDING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR  
PLANNING IN THE COLLEGE OF COMMISSIONERS, CABINET DIRECTOR MINISTRY  
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CHEF DE CABINET FOR PREMIER ADOULA.  
MORE RECENTLY HE ACTED AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE PRESIDENCY  
(1970), VICE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (1971),  
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MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (1972),  
MINISTER OF CIVIL SERVICE (1972). PRESIDENT OF THE PERMANENT  
COMMISSION OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (1974). HE WAS NAMED  
AMBASSADOR TO TOGO ON 12/7/76. EMBASSY RECORDS DO NOT ACCOUNT FOR  
A SECOND TOUR AS COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION AS REPORTED BY  
GOZ.

6. PERSONALITY: IN THE PAST KASONGO HAS BEEN CHARACTERIZED AS INTELLIGENT, CAPABLE AND PERSONABLE. MORE RECENT INFORMATION HAS BEEN FAR LESS POSITIVE ON THE FIRST TWO OF THESE POINTS. IN THE PAST, ONE EMBOFF WROTE THAT HIS HIGH OFFICE, "SOMETIMES WENT TO HIS HEAD." HE IS CONSIDERED MORE A TECHNICIAN THAN A POLITICIAN.

7. ATTITUDE TO US: LAST FIRM DATA EMBASSY HAS IS THAT HE IS PRO-WESTERN, ANTI-COMMUNIST AND FAVORABLY INCLINED TO THE U.S. EMBASSY HAS NO RECENT INFORMATION TO CONFIRM OR REFUTE THIS CHARACTERIZATION.

8. KNOWN FOREIGN TRAVEL: BELGIUM, ALGERIA, TOGO AND FRANCE.CUTLER

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